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SUBJECT: CIVAIR- LEBANESE AIR TRANSPORT (CHARTER) CO. SAL
(LAT) INTEREST IN U. S. CHARTER FLIGHTS

1. EMILE ABBOD, GENERAL MANAGER, LEBANESE AIR TRANSPORT (CHARTER) CO. SAL (LAT), HAS INDICATED HIS COMPANY'S INTEREST IN APPLYING FOR SECTION 402 PERMIT TO OPERATE IRREGULAR CHARTER FLIGHTS LEBANON- U. S.

2. LAT IS PRESENTLY INVOLVED IN CONTRACT AIRPORT HANDLING AND CATERING AT BEIRUT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. UP TO 1967, LAT OWNED AND OPERATED TWO DC-3'S ON CONTRACT CHARTER IN INDONESIA, AND ONE ANTONOV AN-24, WHICH WAS DESTROYED IN 1965 OR 1966 AT LUXOR WHILE ON DRYLEASE TO EGYPTAIR'S PREDECESSOR MISRAIR.

3. LAT HOLDS GOL AUTHORITY TO OPERATE INTERNATIONAL CHARTERS, AND WILL PROBABLY SEEK GOL DESIGNATION AS AUTHORIZED CARRIER TO MOUNT U. S. IRREGULAR CHARTERS. ABBOD EMPHASIZES THAT LAT PRESENTLY DOES NOT OWN ANY AIRCRAFT BUT DOES TENTATIVELY PLAN TO LEASE OR LEASE/ PURCHASE USED BOEING FOUR- ENGINED EQUIPMENT IF SECTION 402 PERMIT OBTAINED.

4. ABBOD ASKS IF GOL (ON BEHALF OF LAT) CAN APPLY FOR SECTION 402 AUTHORITY
IF IN FACT LAT DOES NOT OWN SUITABLE AIRCRAFT AT TIME OF
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